Air Traffic Management of Major Airports

760. SHRI DILEEP SANGHANI :
SHRI P.S. GADHAVI :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Airport Authority of India has given high priority on air traffic management of major airports in the country;

(b) if so, the names of airports which are likely to be taken up for this purpose;

(c) whether some airports which have been handling international flights and declared as international airports have been included in this scheme; and

(d) if so, the reason as to why the Ahmedabad airport which has been declared as international airport lag behind to come up with all the facilities of an international airport and the efforts the Government propose to make in this direction at the earliest?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi, Mumbai, Calcutta, Chennai, Thiruvananthapuram, Hyderabad, Guwahati, Nagpur, Bhubaneshwar, Ahmedabad and Varanasi.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Monopulse Secondary Surveillance Radar (MSSR) alongwith primary radar are being installed at Ahmedabad Airport by December, 1997. This will increase the handling capacity at this airport. Area Control Centre has already been established at Ahmedabad to provide effective air traffic control for flights operating through Ahmedabad airport.

Complaints

761. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints regarding misappropriation of funds, negligence of duty and harassment of lady teachers by Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya, NTPC, Badarpur;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action has been taken in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has informed that an anonymous complaint dated 16.5.97 regarding non-settlement of personal claims of teachers has been received by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

(c) The Principal has been asked to settle the personal claims of the Teachers as per rules.

(d) Does not arise.

Shortage of Engineers for Shipping Industry

762. SHRI ANANT GUDHE : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of Marine Engineers and other skilled personnel required for Shipping Industry in the country;

(b) if so, the details regarding the present strength and capacity of technical institutions in various States for Marine Engineers and other skilled personnel, State-wise;

(c) the estimates for requirement of such personnel as per the latest review; and

(d) the details of the steps taken/proposed for establishing Marine Engineering Colleges and introduce courses in technical institutions to meet the manpower requirements of Shipping Industry?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) There is some shortage of Marine Engineers especially in the lower ranks of Indian vessels, particularly on those ships engaged on voyages around the Indian Coast.

(b) A Statement is attached.

(c) Director General (Shipping) in consultation with Shipping Industry has made an estimate that requirement of trained marine engineering personnel for Indian and foreign ships is about 1000 per year.

(d) Government have no immediate plan for establishment of new Marine Engineering Colleges. However, private workshops are encouraged either to increase the number of persons currently undergoing training or to start training of marine personnel. In addition, a couple of engineering colleges from Tamilnadu and Surat have shown some interest for starting a B.E. degree course in Marine Engineering. These colleges are being encouraged to pursue the idea.